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11 IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA

12 IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF COCHISE

13 STATE OF ARIZONA,

14 ) No. CR201000285

15 Plaintiff/Respondent,

16 ) **MOTION FOR APPROVAL FOR  
17 DNA TESTING COMPANY;  
18 AUTHORIZATION FOR FEES,  
19 APPROVAL OF INVESTIGATOR  
20 FEES AND RELEASE OF EVIDENCE**

21 vs.

22 ) (Assigned to Judge Hoggatt)

23 AJELINA LOUISE ROTH LEWIS,

24 Defendant/Petitioner.

25 COMES NOW the Petitioner, Ajelina Louise Roth Lewis, by and through her attorney  
26 undersigned, and hereby requests that the Court approve the appointment of Scrological Research  
27 Institute (SERI) for the purpose of conducting DNA analysis on the strands of hair that were found  
in the victim's hand previously approved for DNA testing by this court. On March 16, 2018, this  
court ordered DNA testing on the following exhibits in evidence: Exhibits 127, 128 and 129, which  
are all strands of hair. Exhibits 127 and 129 were previously tested, but were partially consumed and  
all items will need mitochondrial testing. The DPS crime lab reported in October 2018 that it does  
not conduct this type of testing.

28 Counsel undersigned has contacted Phillip Hopper of SERI and confirmed that this company  
29 is able to conduct DNA testing on these items. Mr. Hopper has provided an estimated quote for  
30 services which is attached hereto. The total anticipated cost is \$7,850.00. The estimated time for  
31 completion of the examination is 3 to 4 months from the time the evidence arrives at SERI.

32 Mr. Hopper also indicated that it would be necessary to obtain a buccal swab from the  
33 Defendant for comparison purposes. He is sending counsel undersigned a kit with instructions for

1 obtaining the buccal sample. It will, therefore, be necessary for the court to also approve funds for  
2 counsel's investigator to travel to the state prison facility where Ms. Lewis is located and obtain the  
3 buccal sample which will then be shipped to SERI. Counsel's investigator is Gilbert Duron, La Joya  
4 Investigations. The estimated costs of Mr. Duron's services will not exceed \$300.00. This amount  
5 is necessary because of the time it will take to set up a contact visit with Ms. Lewis through the  
6 Department of Corrections, travel time to get to the prison and the actual meeting with Ms. Lewis  
7 and obtaining the buccal sample.

8 It is further requested this court order the Sierra Vista Police Department to retrieve the  
9 aforementioned items of evidence from the Clerk of the Coehise County Superior Court and forward  
10 them forthwith to SERI. SERI is located at 3053 Research Drive, Richmond, CA 94806 (510) 223-  
11 7374.

12 RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 18th day of December, 2018.

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15 HARRIETTE P. LEVITT  
16 Attorney for Petitioner

17 Copy of the foregoing mailed this  
18 18th day of December, 2018, to:

19 Brian M. McIntyre  
20 Cochise County Attorneys Office  
P.O. Drawer CA  
21 Bisbee, AZ 85603

22 Ajelina Lewis  
#259623  
ASPC Perryville - Santa Maria  
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24 and faxed to:

25 Judge Hoggatt



# SEROLOGICAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE

3053 Research Dr. Richmond, CA 94806 (510)223-7374 seremain@serological.com

## ESTIMATED QUOTE FOR SERVICES

Case Contact # 5758

NAME:	Harriette Levitt	AGENCY:	Law Office of Harriette Levitt
REFERENCE:		EMAIL:	hplevitt@gmail.com

### **I. LABORATORY ANALYSIS:**

A. Serology Screen: Small Item (swabs or cuttings only)	# items	\$	
: Large Item (all other sample types)	# items	\$	
: Species ID after screen	# items	\$	
B. DNA Extraction, Quantification & Evaluation	# samples	\$	
C. Extracted DNA (STR, YSTR, Minifiler)	# samples	\$	
D. Reference Sample	# samples	\$	
E. Evidence Sample ** (if no DNA is recovered cost is \$450)	# samples	\$	
F. Mitochondrial DNA Analysis (if no DNA is recovered cost is \$1200)	# samples	\$	
G. Extracted DNA (mtDNA)	# samples	\$	
H. Flat Rate Administrative Fee: Includes case setup, evidence receipt & handling, written analytical report, technical review (electronic documents upon request), communication and evidence return. (Fee determined by total cost of case.)	per case	I	\$ 650

\*\*Atypical or complex evidentiary items may be subject to additional charge, based on the actual evidence received or the analytical service requested. Client will be informed of any additional fee for these samples.

### **II. PROFESSIONAL SERVICES:**

I. Expert Case Review, Consultation, and Written Summary of Findings	hrs.	\$	
J. Laboratory Analysis Services	hrs.	\$	
K. Affidavit Services	hrs.	\$	
L. Expert Witness Testimony or Onsite Lab Observation: \$290/hr. for Expert Witness Testimony Services, \$145/hr. for Travel Time. Expenses are additional and billed at cost. Onsite Observation billed at \$2000. Day or \$290/Hr. if less than 4 hours.	hrs.	\$	

### **III. OTHER SERVICES:**

M. Wearer/Handler DNA Analysis (if no DNA is recovered cost is \$900)	each	\$	
N. Firearm Testing-Multiple Samples Taken (if no DNA is recovered cost is \$900)	each	\$	
O. Paternity & Family Relations (Standard Reference: cheek swab or blood)	each	\$	
Paternity & Family Relations (Non-Standard Reference)	each	\$	
P. DUI Blood or Urine (1 Reference & 1 Comparison Sample)	each	\$	
Q. CODIS Profile Upload Fee (per each profile)	each	\$	
R. M-Vac System ® Extraction	each	\$	

**IV. EXPEDITED SERVICE FEES:** Casing begins after receipt of all evidence to be tested, a signed case submission form, and verification of funding. All expedited service rates include a written Analytical Report. Mitochondrial DNA & Sexual Assault cases are excluded from 48 hr. processing

S. 20 Business Day Turn-Around	Add 25% to total billable cost	\$	
T. 10 Business Day Turn-Around	Add 50% to total billable cost	\$	
U. 5 Business Day Turn-Around	Add 75% to total billable cost	\$	
V. 48 Hour Turn-Around	Double the total billable cost	\$	

Comments: Quote is for mitochondrial DNA testing on 5 items (3 hairs + reference samples from victim & suspect).

**ESTIMATED TOTAL \$ 7850**

Estimate Provided By: Phillip Hopper

Date: 12/18/18

**NOTE:** All prices quoted are estimates based on information provided. If more evidence is submitted or more work is required than was initially requested our fees will be adjusted accordingly. Client will always be informed in advance of any change in fees. A \$300 case closure fee will be billed if a case is withdrawn after evidence has been received.